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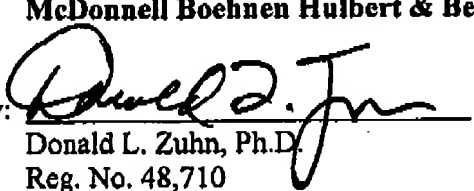
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-described patent application:
Response to Office Action and return postcard.
2. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES: Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.
3. CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1, are being transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office (Fax No. 703-872-9306) on January 18, 2005.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 20, 2004

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims: Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including marked up versions of all currently amended claims, at pages 2-3.

Remarks: Applicants' Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.